Strawberry Crochet Top

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Materials:

1 skein of Crafter's Secret Cotton in Bordeaux
1 skein of Sugar n Cream in Sage Green
1 skein of I love this Cotton! in Antique Gold
Size G/4.5 mm hook
Scissors
Tapestry Needle

Abbreviations

CH – Chain
SLST – Slip Stitch
ST – Stitch
Shell – All in the same stitch, 4 DC, CH2, 4DC.
REP – Repeat
HDC – Half Double Crochet
DC – Double Crochet

Instructions:

Cups (Make 2

Using Crafter's Secret Cotton in Bordeaux

Starting chain per size:

- A – CH9
- B – CH11
- C – CH13
- D – CH15

Row 1: HDC in second CH from hook, all the way around, on the last chain (the last stitch for that side which acts as a center stitch and the first stitch for the other side), place 3 HDC and then continue to place 1 HDC on the back loop down the other side of the chain. CH1 and turn.

Row 2-11: HDC down the row, place 3 in the middle stitch and then HDC in each of the rest of the stitch. CH1 and turn.

Row 12: HDC In the next 3 stitches, chain 3 and then SLST into the same stitch, creating your first Picot. Continue adding a picot stitch on every third stitch until you get into the middle stitch. In the middle stitch, HDC, CH75, SLST all the way down the chain (this is a strap), and then HDC into the same stitch. Now you will begin to mirror the opposite side, HDC the same amount of stitches as you did on the opposite side leading up to the strap and then picot, continue creating a picot at every 3ST. Ch1, Turn

This row is worked on the bottom of the cup (opposite of the point)
Row 13: SC in between each row down the length of the cup. SLST into the same stitch as the first HDC from row 12. (22 scs).

Tie off. Repeat second cup.

Straps and Leaf Section

Using Sugar n Cream in Sage Green.

Row 1: Ch14 and then SC down the SCs from row 13 of the cup after the last SC, CH6, and then begin SC down the second cup. Once done with the second cup, CH15 (extra HDC counts as the CH1 for next row). Turn (78)

Row 2: HDC all the way down, turn. (78 HDC)

Row 3: CH 2 (counts as first DC), DC in the next two STs. ***CH2. Skip 2 STs, 1 DC in each of the next 5 STs**. Repeat *** until (10 times), CH2, Sk2, DC in the

last 3 STs. Turn.

Row 4: CH4. In the first chain space, create a shell (4DC, CH2, 4DC), *****CH1, shell in the next chain space**. Rep ******* all the way down the row. Close the row with CH1 and a DC in the last ST (the top of the CH2 from previous row). Turn.

Row 5: CH2, *****DC on the third and fourth DC going up the shell, place a shell into the CH2 space of previous shell, DC in the next two DCs down the side of the shell, Ch1, SC into the CH1 from the previous row (in between shells), CH1.** Rep all the way down the row, closing with a SC on the last stitch of the starting chain from the previous row.

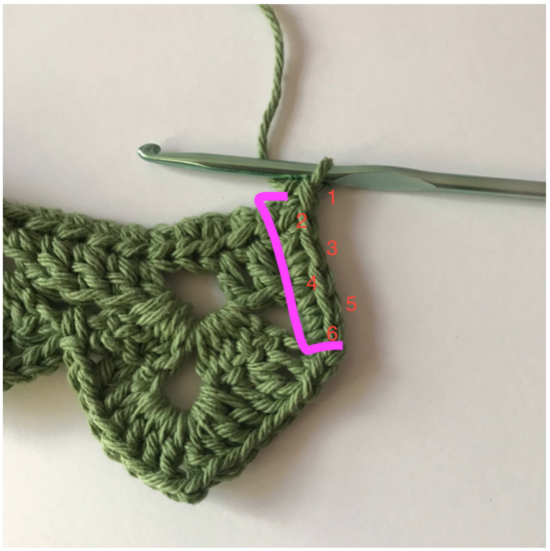
Do not fasten off.

Having trouble crocheting the leaf border? Check out this video:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ksa-s_e3ZqY&list=PL1UUCJBgPcVzpo2eh08WzOFhkTYoLj

Now, we'll work on the side band

Row 1: Place 6SC evenly down the side.

The green leaf section we just created will be folded over just after **row 3** so that the green tips are pointing down in the same direction as the red cup. We will be working this next row stitch the green section together so it remains folded.



Row 2: Fold over the green section so that it's laying over the red cups and the 6 SCs you just made are now folded in half and on top of each other so you have 3 stitches on the top and 3 on the bottom. To keep the green section in its place over the red cups you are going to SC the stitches to connect the top 3 SCs and the bottom 3 SCs together as so:

CH1, go into the ST the CH1 comes out of and the 6th SC from row 1, pull a loop through both stitches and SC. Put the hook on the next stitch and the corresponding stitch on the other side and SC. (2nd ST with 5th ST and 3rd ST with 4th ST). Turn.

Row 3: CH1, HDC across the 3 STs. Turn.

Row 4: **No chain**, skip the first stitch and HDC on next two stitched. Turn.

Row 5: **No chain**, skip the first stitch. HDC on next stitch. Turn.

Chain 75, SLST all the way down the chain and then SLST into the HDC and tie off.

Repeat this process on the opposite side starting.
Using green yarn sew together the tips of each leaf onto the cup.

Seeds

Using I love this Cotton! In Antique Gold and the tapestry needle.
Be sure to tuck in all your ends before starting with the seeds

Go through a single stitch on the backside of the top and create a knot. Create your first seed by putting your needle though the back and trough the front of the cup, skip two rows and push your yarn from the front to the back, go over this stitch 3 times making sure that your needle is on the backside of the cup before starting your next seed. Place as many seeds wherever you want! Tie off with a knot and weave in the end. Repeat this process on the second cup.

Helpful how-to videos:
Cups: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Ybdstwq7jGc

Picot: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=xzKt7ZW8668&feature=youtu.be

Green leaf part: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Ksa-s_e3ZqY&feature=youtu.be

Your Strawberry top is done and ready to be shown off!

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